

Portland June 16th 1820.

Wm King Esqr

Having been advised that I was one among
a number of candidates named for the office of Sheriff of
this county & not liking the mode of petitioning nor deeming
it necessary I have taken the liberty of addressing you
as the most direct way of informing you of my wishes, if
you upon enquiry should think proper to make the nomi-
-nation it will be very gratifying to one who has uniformly
been a supporter of the General Government & as you
know of the Independence of Maine I have no better
friends than some of the Gentlemen of your Council
& none that know me or my situation better than
they do, I presuming their advice will in some measure
guide you in the nomination. I have thought whatever
recommendation I could get would not be of any importance
or give you any further knowledge of my character than
may be obtained in the Council Chamber

I remain

Yours Respectfully
John Spring

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Mr. J. H. Spring
Gov. of Maine

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